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Vasquez Blvd/I-70 Superfund Site NEW Proposed Cleanup Plan Available For Public Comment

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is asking for public comment on its New Proposed Plan for cleaning up lead and arsenic in residential soils in the Elyria, Swansea, Cole, Clayton and southwest Greebville neighborhood. The New Proposed Plan explains EPA's New Preferred cleanup alternative and also evaluates other cleanup options. EPA revised the Proposed Plan in response to public comment received last summer. EPA's new preferred cleanup alternative proposes removing and replacing soil in yards that have greater than 400 parts per million (ppm) lead or 70 ppm arsenic in yards. EPA's new preferred alternative also includes a Community Health Program to further protect children at risk.

Your comments are very important!

EPA will not make a final cleanup decision

before we consider all public comment on this New Proposed Plan

Write us! Written comments will be accepted at any time during the comment period (May 28-June 26) by mail to Victor Ketellapper, EPA Remedial Project Manager, EPA Region VIII, 999 18th Street, Ste. 300, Denver, Colorado 80202

Meet with us! Two Public Meetings will be held where you are welcome to present your comments in person:

Thursday, June 19, 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Swansea Recreation Center;
Sat. June 21, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Harrington Elementary School

Email us! Comments are being accepted via email at ybs70@epa.gov

For more information, please contact Patricia Courtney, EPA Community Involvement Coordinator at (303) 312-6631; or Jennifer Chiergo, EPA Community Involvement Coordinator at (303) 312-6601; Or dial toll free (800) 227-8917 and ask for us by name.

Documents about this site are available to the public at the following places: Cross Community Coalition, 2332 East 46th Ave., Valdez-Perry Library, 4690 Vine St., Ford Warren Library, 2835 High St., the EPA Records Center, 999 18th St., Ste. 300, or on our Web Site at <http://epa.gov/region8/ybs70>

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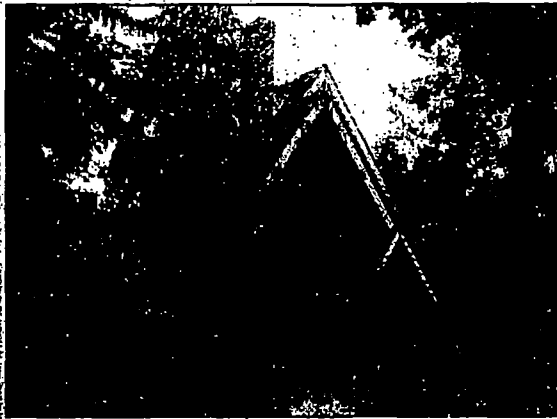
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Ramsey home for sale



John and Patsy Ramsey owned this Boulder home in 1996, when their daughter, JonBenet, was found slain in the basement.

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and a finished basement.

Other attractions include a master suite that occupies the entire fourth story, his and hers dressing areas, and bathrooms highlighted by hot-water towel racks, plus marble and granite detailing.

The site makes no mention of the home's sad past.

Patricia Limerick, a noted University of Colorado history professor who lives across the street, confirmed that a "For Sale" sign has been up for days.

Limerick said the traffic of the curious, cruising past to look at Boulder's most notorious home, has dwindled in recent years.

But it hasn't stopped completely.

"People visiting me will say,

"My goodness, people sure do slow down there," Limerick said.

"I think it's creepy. I understand that it happens all over. I know that it happens at the (O.J.) Simpson site" in the Los Angeles suburb of Brentwood. "But what is it that they're hoping to get? I don't know the answer to that."

The Ramseys bought the home, situated on a half-acre plot near the University of Colorado campus, for \$500,000 in 1991.

The front half of the house was built in 1927, and a substantial addition was later built onto the back. The Ramseys spent \$700,000 on renovations that included the rear spiral staircase

on which Patsy Ramsey said she found the 2½-page ransom note demanding \$118,000 for her youngest child's safe return.

The child beauty queen was found in a little-used basement room about seven hours after her mother called police to report that JonBenet, 6, had been kidnapped.

The crime has never been solved. In the summer of 1997, JonBenet's parents and older brother moved back to Atlanta, where they had previously resided.

The Ramseys didn't spend another night in the 15th Street home after their daughter's death.

A private corporation made up of the Ramseys' friends purchased the home from them in February 1998 for \$650,000 and held it as a rental property.

Tenants planted several large trees in the front yard and erected a fence to discourage those wanting a glimpse of the landmark with a macabre history.

Its most recent resident was E.J. "Doc" Kreis, who was fired as the strength and conditioning coach for the University of Colorado football team.

The small basement room where JonBenet's body was found has been walled off and is no longer accessible.

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